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# Cinetopia International Film Festival announces Detroit film schedule

*Features the best dramas and documentaries from the world's best film festivals*

Ann Arbor, Mich. – More than 40 of the best feature length comedies, dramas, and documentaries from the best film festivals around the world will play during this year's **Cinetopia International Film Festival presented by AT&T**, which will take place June 6-9 at three Ann Arbor locations and, for the very first time, at the **Detroit Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts** – making it even more convenient for area residents. "If you can't make it to Cannes or Toronto, or if Sundance in Utah in January seems too cold and far away, know that Cinetopia will bring the best films from the world's best film festivals to southeastern Michigan," says **Russ Collins, Michigan Theater Executive Director**. Announced today, the full DFT program line-up includes nine films, many of which will feature special guests. See the end of this press release for the complete Detroit film schedule.

"I'm truly excited about the remarkable range of features that the DFT will be presenting as part of Cinetopia," says **Elliot Wilhelm, Detroit Film Theatre Director and Curator of Film**. "These nine extraordinary new films – and movie lovers actually can experience ALL of them over the course of three days – encompass stunning animation (*The Painting*), edge-of-your-seat suspense (*Pieta*), insightful documentaries (*Our Nixon, The Source Family*), brilliantly nuanced character studies (*Welcome to Pine Hill, Broken*), as well as a rousing musical celebration of one of Detroit's own beloved musical legends (*A Tribute to Ron Asheton Featuring Iggy and the Stooges*). In short, we're going to provide a full-bodied film festival experience in just three days, and even if you stop by to see only a single film, you'll be a part of it."

Tickets for this year's Cinetopia are on-sale now. Tickets are \$9 for Michigan Theater and Detroit Institute of Arts members and \$12 for non-members; weekend festival passes and voucher booklets are also available. Visit [cinetopiafestival.org](http://cinetopiafestival.org) for full pricing and purchase information.

**About Cinetopia International Film Festival presented by AT&T:** Experience more than 40 of the best feature-length dramas, comedies, and documentaries from the world's best film festivals, including Sundance, Cannes, Venice, Toronto, and Berlin, all selected exclusively for Cinetopia by the Michigan Theater programming team. Cinetopia will honor the rich world history of cinematic culture and Michigan's proud legacy of outstanding screenwriters through special pre- and post-film events, including presentations, discussion panels, and Q&A sessions with directors, writers, and stars. Venues include the Michigan Theater's historic auditorium and screening room, the State Theater, the University of Michigan's Angell Hall, and the Detroit Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Visit [cinetopiafestival.org](http://cinetopiafestival.org) for more info.

**About the Michigan Theater:** Now celebrating its 86th year, the Michigan Theater is Ann Arbor's not-for-profit historic center for fine film and performing arts. The theater is located in downtown Ann Arbor at 603 East Liberty Street. Regular movie prices are \$10 for the general public; \$8 for students, seniors, U.S. veterans, and children under 12; \$7.50 for Michigan Theater members; and \$7 for weekday matinees before 6pm. Visit [michtheater.org](http://michtheater.org) or call the 24-hour information line at (734) 668-TIME for more info.

**Detroit film schedule for the 2013 Cinetopia International Film Festival presented by AT&T:**

***Broken***

Tomboyish Skunk lives in a cul-de-sac in North London with her father. She befriends a slow-witted young man named Rick, who is regularly beaten by their angry neighbor. A modern-day Scout from *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Skunk observes with perplexity the negotiations of adult life around her. With **TIM ROTH** and **CILLIAN MURPHY**. 91 min. UK. Playing Saturday, 6/8, at 7:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***Dear Mr. Watterson***

**With special guests! Michigan premiere!** Die-hard *Calvin & Hobbes* fans pay tribute to creator Bill Watterson, whose comic strip was in over 2,400 newspapers from 1985 to 1995. Although Watterson hid from the spotlight, his incredible imagination shone through in his work, which offered deeper characters and more complex stories than the average strip. 93 min. USA. Playing Sunday, 6/9, at 1:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***The Future***

Bianca's universe explodes when her parents die suddenly and she must care for her younger brother Tomas. Tomas's friends use her as a lure for a heist, convincing her to initiate a relationship with an enigmatic hermit (**RUTGER HAUER**). Bianca becomes increasingly disoriented as the future becomes her present. 98 min. Chile/Germany/Italy/Spain. Playing Saturday, 6/8, at 4:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***Our Nixon***

**With special guests!** Throughout Richard Nixon's presidency, three of his top White House aides obsessively documented their experiences with Super 8 home movie cameras. *Our Nixon* is an all-archival documentary presenting those home movies for the first time, creating an intimate and complex portrait of the Nixon presidency as never seen before. Playing Saturday, 6/8, at 1:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***The Painting***

Three types of creatures live in an unfinished canvas: the fully-painted Alldunns, the unfinished Halfies, and the rough-outlined Sketchies. The Alldunns lord their status over the others, until one of them sets out to contact the mysterious Painter who started all the trouble in the first place. 78 min. France. Playing Friday, 6/7, at 7:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***Pieta***

A heartless loan shark uses brutality to collect payments from desperate borrowers. When a woman claiming to be his long-lost mother appears, he decides to turn over a new leaf – but it may be too late to escape the consequences his merciless actions have already set in motion. 104 min. South Korea. Playing Saturday, 6/8, at 9:30 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***The Source Family***

**With special guests! Michigan premiere!** The Source Family was a radical experiment in 1970s utopian commune living. The 150 members of this “Aquarian tribe” followed “Father Yod,” a controversial restaurateur-turned-spiritual leader with fourteen wives and his own psychedelic rock band. But their outsider ideals led to their exile and, ultimately, their demise. 98 min. USA. Playing Sunday, 6/9, at 4:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***A Tribute to Ron Asheton Featuring Iggy and the Stooges***

**With special guests! World premiere!** Recorded live at Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor, MI, this heartfelt tribute/celebration of Stooges' guitarist **RON ASHETON**'s life and music features **IGGY AND THE STOOGES**, **HENRY ROLLINS**, guitarist **DENIZ TEK** (Radio Birdman), and director **JIM JARMUSCH**. 114 min. USA. Playing Sunday, 6/9, at 7:00 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

***Welcome to Pine Hill***

**With special guests!** Blurring the line between documentary and fiction, *Welcome to Pine Hill* follows the daily struggles of Shannon, a drug dealer-turned-insurance claims adjuster who is trying to follow the righteous path. When Shannon receives a grim medical diagnosis, he sets out to make peace with himself and those around him. Playing Friday, 6/7, at 9:30 PM at the Detroit Film Theatre.

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